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Applicants : Neirynck et al.
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For : IMMUNOPROTECTIVE INFLUENZA ANTIGEN AND
ITS USE IN VACCINATION
Group Art Unit : 1648
Examiner : Shanon A. Foley

New York, New York 10020
May 5, 2003

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, applicants hereby make of record the reference listed in the accompanying Form PTO-1449. A copy of this reference is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner (1) fully consider the enclosed reference during the examination of this application; (2) initial the enclosed copy of Form PTO-1449 in the appropriate place to indicate that the reference has been considered; and (3) return a copy of the initialled Form to the undersigned in accordance with MPEP §§ 609 and 2001.06(b).

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(2), applicants submit herewith a check of \$180.00 in payment of the requisite fee. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, or credit overpayment of same, in connection with this Supplemental Information Disclosure

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